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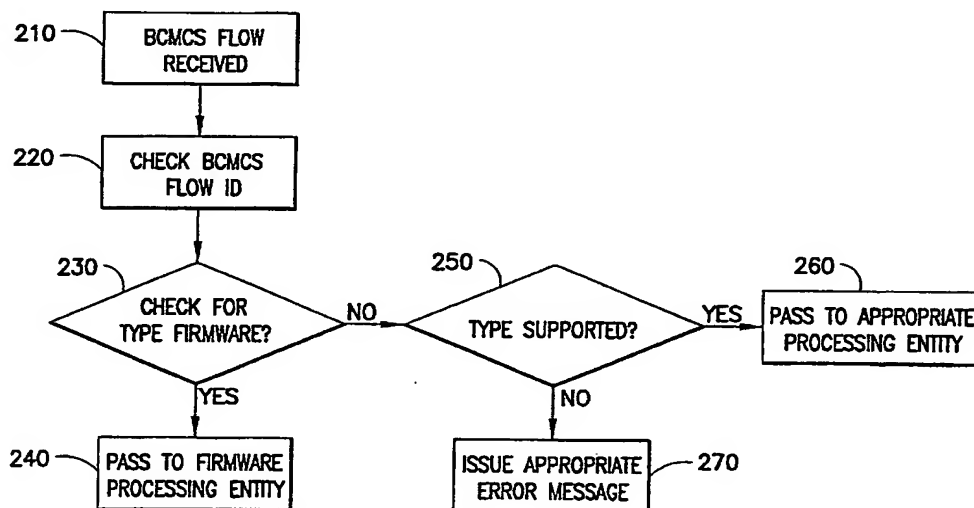
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(57) Abstract: Embodiments of this invention provide a method and apparatus for classifying mobile multicast applications and services related flow, so that the flow may be managed at the mobile station. The method receives a multicast message flow having content and a flow identification, checks the type of content, and passes the flow to the appropriate processing entity. A data structure is also provided for the management of a multicast flow having content to a plurality of mobile stations. The data structure includes: a type identification specifying a flow type; a provider identification for identifying a provider of a plurality of firmware; a vendor identification for identifying the vendor of the plurality of firmware; and an application identification for identifying an application in the mobile station that uses the content delivered in the flow.

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